

CITY OF IONIA
Local Development Finance Authority
September 17, 2024
Regular Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

City Manager Precia Garland called the meeting of the City of Ionia Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA) for September 17, 2024, to order at 4:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present: Members Jamie Carnes, Mark Jennings, Bob Masters, Larry Tiejema, and Mark Vroman.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mayor Milewski and Assistant City Manager Jonathan Bowman.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

City Manager Garland introduced the agenda and asked if there were any requested changes. No changes were requested. It was moved by Member Jennings and seconded by Member Tiejema to approve the agenda as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Milewski thanked all board members for their service.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson

Member Mark Jennings volunteered to serve as chairperson and Member Tiejema nominated Mark Vroman as vice chairperson.

It was moved by Member Vroman and seconded by Member Carnes to elect Mark Jennings as chairperson. MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Member Tiejema and seconded by Chairperson Jennings to elect Mark Vroman as vice chairperson. MOTION CARRIED.

Establish Meeting Schedule

It was moved by Vroman, seconded by Jennings to establish monthly meetings at Ionia City Hall for the third Tuesday of the month for the remainder of the 2024 calendar year. MOTION CARRIED.

Review and Approval of Bylaws

City Manager Garland provided background information on the Local Development Finance Authority and the upcoming needs in the Orchard View Industrial Park for street replacement and utility expansion. Garland explained that the presented bylaws were created based on state statute and other community examples.

It was moved by Tiejema, seconded by Vroman to approve the Local Development Finance Authority Bylaws as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Development and TIF Plan for Orchard View Industrial Park Improvement Projects

City Manager Garland presented a proposal from Fishbeck and one from Williams & Works for preparing a development and tax increment financing plan for the Ionia Local Development Finance Authority

It was discussed that a simple and straightforward plan was desired by the LDFA.

It was moved by Vroman, seconded by Carnes to approve the proposal from Fishbeck in the amount of \$3,500 for preparing a development and tax increment financing plan in coordination with the Local Development Finance Authority. MOTION CARRIED.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Member Vroman and seconded by Member Tiejema to adjourn the meeting at 4:48 PM. MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,

Precia Garland, City Manager/LDFA Director